

Application No. 09/592,404

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 16, which starts with "A preferred embodiment of the invention" with the following amended paragraph:

A preferred embodiment of the invention is now described in detail. Referring to the drawings, like numbers indicate like parts throughout the views. As used in the description herein and throughout the claims, the following terms take the meanings explicitly associated herein, unless the context clearly dictates otherwise: the meaning of "~~a~~," "~~an~~," and "~~the~~" includes plural references, the meaning of "in" includes "in" and "on." Also, as used herein, "global computer network" includes the Internet. A "secure application server" could include any digital machine that controls a computer communication and includes security features that inhibit unauthorized access.